

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Communications between Government and their officers are confidential until the Government pass orders.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know whether the Conservator of Forests was addressed in the matter as to the necessity for the road ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : I do not think he was addressed.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know whether the Conservator of Forests did not report that the opening of the road was highly necessary for the transport of timber from the Ezhattamukhom Reserve ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Very possibly he has, I have no information about it now.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know whether an estimate has been prepared to construct the road ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : A rough estimate of cost has been submitted to Government.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know the expenditure that will be necessary ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : About Rs. 5,000 excluding the land acquisition charges.

President : The Chief Engineer has given practically all the information that Mr. Narayana Aiyar has asked for ; and he said that the correspondence was confidential (*Laughter.*)

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : Has the Chief Engineer inspected the road ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : No, Sir.

St. Paul's School at Mazhuvannoor.

131. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they have allowed the authorities of the St. Paul's School at Mazhuvannoor to open the 3rd class and when was such sanction given ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Sarasvathi Vilasam School in Mazhuvannoor has Clauses 1 to 4 and how long it is that all the four classes were in existence in that school ;

(c) what will be the distance between the Sarasvathi Vilasam School and the St. Paul's School; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the Government had withdrawn the grant to the St. Pauls School on the ground of the existence of the Sarasvathi Vilasam School close by with four classes, when such sanction was withdrawn and what are the grounds for sanctioning the grant again ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : (a) Yes. In the school year 1935-36. The class was opened on 6-12-1110.

(b) Yes from 1-12-1110.

(c) 3/4 mile.

(d) Yes ; from the end of the school year 1933-34. It was considered fair to permit the school to continue and to restore its grant and the grant was restored from the beginning of the financial year 1110.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : With reference to answer to part (d), may I know whether the granting of permit to the school is not opposed to the principle of overlapping of schools, advocated by the Education Reforms Committee?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : There is no doctrinaire principle of overlapping. Each case is considered on its merits.

Courts inspected during the last three years and the expenditure therefor.

132. * **Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai (Municipal Councils) :** Will the Government be pleased to furnish information regarding :

(a) the courts inspected by the Judges of the High Court during the last three years, the dates of such inspection and the results thereof ;

(b) the expenditure incurred for each of such inspection; and

(c) the total annual expenditure for the last three years for the purpose?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai :

(a) and (b) A *statement furnishing the information required is laid on the table.

The inspection made have produced satisfactory results.

(c) Rs. 6,657-14-12.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether there are any Village Panchayat Courts which have not been inspected by the Judges of the High Court for the last three years?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : A list of the Courts inspected is given in the answer. I believe there are Village Panchayat Courts which have not been inspected during the last three years.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know why they were not inspected?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : There are about 22 Village Panchayat Courts. It may not be possible for the High Court Judges to inspect all of them every year. They did inspect some.

* *Vide* appendix I. — pages 504 to 507